



# Late Backup

## **CHANGES TO SMART HOUSING NOT SO SMART!**

The SMART Housing Program is the second most widely used Affordable Housing tool in the city of Austin, accounting for over 25% of the total affordable housing units in the City, second only to Low-income Housing Tax Credits.

SMART Housing is a nationally-recognized affordable housing program and produces high quality affordable housing in terms of ecological impact, community integration and accessibility. Eroding any of these unique aspects erodes the integrity of the program.

Changing the rules of the program based on a developer focus group and one developer's actions does not necessitate drastic changes to the program.

The SMART Housing program is continuing to provide high quality housing and will continue to do so without changing the rules.

So please, we are asking the City Council to SAVE THE A and keep a great program great.